

In the Specification:

In the Paragraph beginning on page 11, line 3, make the following changes:

In most wireless devices, it takes some time ~~to ramp-up the power to~~ for a receiver or transmitter to be fully stable and operational after power is applied to that block~~before communications may be serviced~~. According to some embodiments of the present invention, the receiver and/or transmitter is/are left powered during periods that do not require corresponding transmit or receive functionality. The ~~device-blocks~~(s) are left powered during this/these period(s) so that the ~~device-blocks~~(s) will function during a following interval when required.

In the Paragraph beginning on page 11, line 8, make the following changes:

FIG. 4 is a block diagram illustrating the frame cycle division of an embodiment of the present invention. The structure of FIG. 4 illustrates the various operations of the Masters and Slaves during the frame cycle division of the frame cycle. During the beaconing period 402, ~~the Master powers-up both its~~ of the Master's transmitter and receiver are powered. However, in other operations, the Master may not power its receiver because it is only transmitting during the beaconing period 402 and not listening. During the beaconing period 402, the Slaves must power their receivers, but their transmitters may not be powered in order to conserve battery life. During the broadcast data period 404, the Master has its transmitter and receiver powered. The Slaves, however, only receiving data from the Master, will have their receivers powered but not their transmitters powered.